

## Message Text

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ACTION PM-05

INFO OCT-01 ARA-10 ISO-00 CIAE-00 INR-10 NSAE-00  
DODE-00 NSC-05 SP-02 SS-15 MCE-00 ACDA-12 /060 W  
-----113422 260056Z /12

R 192200Z MAY 78  
FM AMEMBASSY QUITO  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8297  
INFO AMEMBASSY LA PAZ  
AMEMBASSY LIMA  
AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

C O N F I D E N T I A L QUITO 3411

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: MASS, EC  
SUBJECT: GOE INQUIRY ON TOW

REF: QUITO 3367

ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF CABRERA TOLD DATT LATE ON MAY 18 THAT  
THE EC ARMY WOULD LIKE TO ACQUIRE 56 TOW LAUNCHERS (28 SELF-  
PROPELLED, AND 28 UNMOUNTED) AND 18 MISSILES PER TUBE, FOR A  
TOTAL OF 1008 MISSILES. THIS MISSILE FIGURE IS SUBSTANTIALLY  
HIGHER THAN EMBASSY'S ORIGINAL GUESSTIMATE (PARE 3 OF REFTTEL).  
EMBASSY SUGGESTS THIS HIGHER FIGURE BE USED IN DETERMINING COST  
OF A POTENTIAL TOW SALE TO ECAUDOR.  
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## Message Attributes

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